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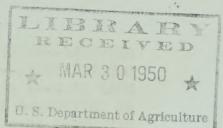
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BEDFORD GARDENS
R. 4, Box 787
Battle Creek, Michigan



For the convenience of our customers we have changed our name from Jardin des Iris to BEDFORD GARDENS. Jardin des Iris was difficult to pronounce and hard to remember.

Our regular catalog, with many pictures in color, will be off the press later. It is yours for the asking.

This is a pre-season list. We are offering some unusual bargains for persons who order early. Kindly send your order at once to avoid being disappointed.

We will be delighted to have you visit our gardens during the blooming season, which generally begins about June 1st. You will, we feel sure, be pleased with the quality of our stock. You will see long, cleanly cultivated rows of husky, sure-to-bloom plants. Our iris are growing and blooming in just about every city, town and village in the United States.

TERMS--Cash with order. As we want to keep prices down, we do not send orders C. O. D. WE PAY THE POSTAGE. Parcel post rates have gone up, so in ordering flowers of any sort check on whether or not you have to pay the transportation charges.

THE WORLD'S FINEST IRIS

ANCETHE A land with all all all all all all all all all al	
ANGELUSA large orchid-pink self, with a shimmering mauve iridescence on	
the falls. The blossoms are freely produced.	• 50
ANITRACrisp, silvery sky blue flowers of great size.	• 40
ARCTICA gigantic gleaming cream white with a golden beard.	• 50
AUTUMN FROSTA large frosty white which sometimes blooms again in fall.	• 35
BALROUDOUR A twelve inch flower of exotic form and color. Cream colored	
standards, flecked with purple and chartreuse falls with a purple	
blotch. When worn on an evening gown it is frequently mistaken for	
an orchid. If you want something unusual and fine, this is it.	•50
BLACK WINGS A velvety blue-black which appears to be actually black in	
some lights. Always a favorite with visitors to our fields.	•35
BLUE SHIMMERSomething new in blue and white plicatas. Huge shimmer-	
ing white flowers which are edged and peppered with clear blue.	1.50
BRYCE CANYONA warm blend of henna-copper and red-brown. Large im-	
pressive flowers of good form. A free bloomer and strong grower.	3.50
BUECHLEY GIANTA lot of iris for a small sum. A mammoth tall blue bi-	, , ,
color which always evokes "ohs" and "ahs" of pleasure and surprise.	.35
BUFFAWNThe name describes itbuff and fawn. Large flaring blooms	• //
with a prominent red-orange beard. No other iris like it.	. 50
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CADETOUVery scarce. Honey colored standards and red falls, edged with	• 35
gold. One of the best iris from France, and a real beauty.	• 35
CALIFORNIA GOLDA fragrant large deep yellow.	•50
CALIFORNIA PEACHA free blooming striking pink and apricot blend.	
CASA MORENA A rich glowing brown self of immense size.	2.00
CHEERIOA rich bronze-red with velvety falls.	• 35
CHINA MAIDAn immense blend of soft mallow pink, gold and lilac.	• 75
CHRISTABELOne of the finest reds. Large copper-red flowers which are	
freely produced. They stand out like a beacon in the garden.	• 50
CITY OF LINCOLNOne of the most outstanding variegatas. Rich yellow	
standards; falls bright chestnut red, edged with gold.	• 50

DAVERTAK Puffled golden nink flowers with an understance of corner	7 25
	1.25
DOROTHY DIETZDelicate lavender standards and velvety purple falls.	• 35
DRAP D'ORA silky primrose variety from France of even coloring.	•50
EL CAPITANA large lavender-blue. Perhaps the most fragrant iris.	• 35
ELMOHRA huge glossy mulberry red which has achieved great popularity.	1.00
ELSA SASSA sulphur yellow as cool as lemon ice, with a white blaze.	.50
FLORA ZENORDescribed as having the color of the foam on a strawberry	mr
soda. A clump of this variety makes a gorgeous picture in the garden.	• 75
FRANK ADAMSA vigorous flamboyant blend of fawn, tan and pink.	• 50
FRIEDA MOHRA large rosy pink with spicy fragrance.	• 35
GOLDEN RUSSET One of the world's largest. Light golden russet.	5.00
GOLDEN TREASURE An exquisite cream and yellow, with a dash of gold and	70
orange. A free bloomer and a good multiplier.	• 50
GRAND CANYON A unique blend of plum, copper and gold.	• 75
GREAT LAKES A clear blue with beautiful flaring falls.	• 75
GUDRUNA mammoth white which is lightly dusted with rich gold.	• 35
INDIAN HILLSA large brilliant purple which possesses just about every	
good quality one looks for in iris. Free bloomer and rapid increaser.	.40
JEAN CAYEUX Silky Havana brown flowers of good size.	• 35
KANSAS INGLESIDE A pert bright brownish red which sometimes blooms again	1.0
in fall. A single rhizome soon produces a fine colorful clump.	.40
LADY MOHROyster shell white standards and chartreuse falls, with a	
blaze of red in the center. The buds appear to be fhashioned of rich	
burnished copper. One of the most admired varieties in our fields.	2.50
IA NEIGEAn exquisite wax-like white from France. Its heavy substance	~ ~
and graceful form makes it outstanding as a cut flower. Very scarce.	• 50
LOUVOISLight chocolate standards and rich velvety chocolate falls.	• 50
MAGENTA A claret purple variety which turns to red when struck by the	0 =
slanting rays of the afternoon sun. A beauty from France.	• 35
MAID OF ASTALOT A huge porcelain white, beautifully trimmed with blue.	• 50
MARQUITAA large flower with wax-like ivory standards and falls of	
similar color brushed with watermelon rose. Unusual.	• 40
MATTERHORNA pure white without a hint of tattletale gray.	.50
MELANIE A large delicate orchid-pink on strong, tall stalks.	• 60
MIDWEST GEMA primrose and pink blend which appears to be dusted with	
gold. The colors are rich and clean and of great delicacy.	• 50
MING YELLOWA great iris. Huge, almost faultless, rich yellow flowers.	• 75
MINNIE COLQUITT A large ruffled white, heavily bordered with purple.	2.00
MISS CALIFORNIAA large free blooming lilac-pink which grows very tall.	.50
MME. L. AUREAU-Large silvery white blossoms which are heavily marbled	10
and peppered with rosy heliotrope. An exceedingly free bloomer.	• 40
NASSAKA spectacular mammoth white, the falls and standards of which are	25
stitched with blue. If you like the large ones, this is for you.	• 35
OIA KAIAA graceful ruffled flower of brightest deep yellow which is	7 50
lightly brushed with orange. Number one on the hundred best.	1.50
ORLOFFYellow flowers which are sprinkled with cinnamon. This variety	F0
produces so many flowers that they almost hide the leaves.	•50
ORMOHRAn enormous silvery lavender flower.	.50
PAINTED DESERTIt possesses the gorgeous coloring of the Arizona desert.	1.00
PEACHBLOWA large cream colored iris with a beautiful pink border. PERSIAN PRINCEGolden standards and velvety oxblood falls.	•75
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PINK IMPERIAL Lavender-pink flowers that grow on tall stalks that carry	•50
as many as 7 flowers each. It sometimes attains 5 feet in height.	1.00
PRAIRIE SUNSETPossesses the glowing colors of the setting sun. RADIANTOne of the most brilliant varieties. Glowing bronze standards	1.00
and copper-red falls. Always sold out early.	.50
RANGERA rich glowing red which has created quite a sensation.	2.00
RIDING HIGHA tall rosy red which was a favorite last year.	•50
ROSY WINGSA rosy red with a glisten sheen. It produces not only	•)0
gorgeous large flowers but an almost unbelievable amount of them.	•35
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SABLEA rich velvety black purple. "King of the blacks."	1.00
SANDALWOODLarge flowers with buff-brown standards and bright brown falls.	. 35
SHINING WATERS A graceful blue with the brightness of a summer sky.	.40
SIEGFRIED Huge flowers with yellow standards and cream colored falls,	
stippled and dotted brown. The blossoms are slightly ruffled.	•50
SIR KNIGHT A huge blue-purple with a silky finish. Always a favorite.	.50
SOLID MAHCGANY A deep reddish-brown iris with a rich glow.	3.00
S. Q. 72-A delicate seashell pink from Dr. Loomis. A new color that has	
created a great sensation. It must be seen to be appreciated.	2.00
THEODOLINDAA graceful blue and white plicata.	.35
THE RED DOUGLASA rich red with plush-like substance.	.75
TIFFANYA large ruffled yellow plicata with rosy pink stitching. None	
finer. Almost unobtainable last year and scarce this season.	• 50
TREASURE ISLANDLarge flowers of pure gold. The falls are washed lightly	
with cream in the center.	•50
WABASHPure white standards and deep purple falls which are trimmed with	
a white margin. Daintily ruffled.	.50
WINNESHIEK A striking dark blue with rich velvety falls.	• 35

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY COLLECTION

We consider this one of the greatest Iris bargains to be found anywhere. Orders will be filled with top-size (not so-called collection size) Michigan grown rhizomes, State inspected and of proven hardiness.

Select 10 varieties from the accompanying list for only \$3, postpaid.

FREE-You may select one additional Iris, which will be sent along with the collection ABSOLUTELY FREE if you order within 10 days.

Arctic	.50	Indian Hills	•40
Autumn Frost	• 35	Kansas Ingleside	.40
Balroudour	.50	La Neige	.50
Black Wings	.35	Magenta	.35
Buechley Giant	• 35	Mme. L. Aureau	.40
Buffawn	.50	Nassak	.35
Dorothy Dietz	• 35	Rosy Wings	. 35
El Capitan	• 35	Sir Knight	.50
Elsa Sass	. 50	Tiffany	• 50
	Wabash	• 50	

Super Collection

All 19 Iris listed above for only \$5, postpaid. (An \$8 value.)

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DELUXE COLLECTION

3 Prize Winning Varieties for only \$2, Postpaid

Select 2 from this list

Select 1 from this list

China Maid Flora Zenor Ming Yellow The Red Douglas Great Lakes

Persian Prince

Elmohr

Prairie Sunset

Sable

If you do not have much room and want some really outstanding varieties, we cannot recommend this collection too highly.

FREE--If you order the DELUXE COLLECTION within ten days you may select any iris you desire from either list and we will include it with the other varieties you choose ABSOLUTELY FREE.

We reserve the right to withdraw this offer after the number of collections reserved for this purpose is exhausted, so hurry to avoid being disappointed.

Only one collection to a customer, as we want these gorgeous flowers to find their way into as many gardens as possible.

If you want a copy of our color catalog, please fill in the accompanying blank and mail as soon as convenient.

In ordering collections, just check the varieties you want, thus avoiding copying the names. Enclosed find a self-addressed envelop for your convenience.

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